SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DATA EXTRACTION IN A NON-NATIVE ENVIRONMENT

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0083]   A method and system can be used to read and obtain data from backup media regardless of the application used to generate the backup media. The method and system can read part of a tape to identify the application used to generate a backup tape and access information on where information is located on the tape based on an identifying signature. The method and system can be used to process large amounts of data from backup tapes without having to recreate the native backup environment. Filters may be applied to determine which data is relevant and storing that information on a target sub-system that may have a different operating system compared to the computer from which the backup tape was generated. The method and system are particularly useful for identifying and segregating evidence or for performing knowledge management functions at a company, potentially having over a thousand employees.